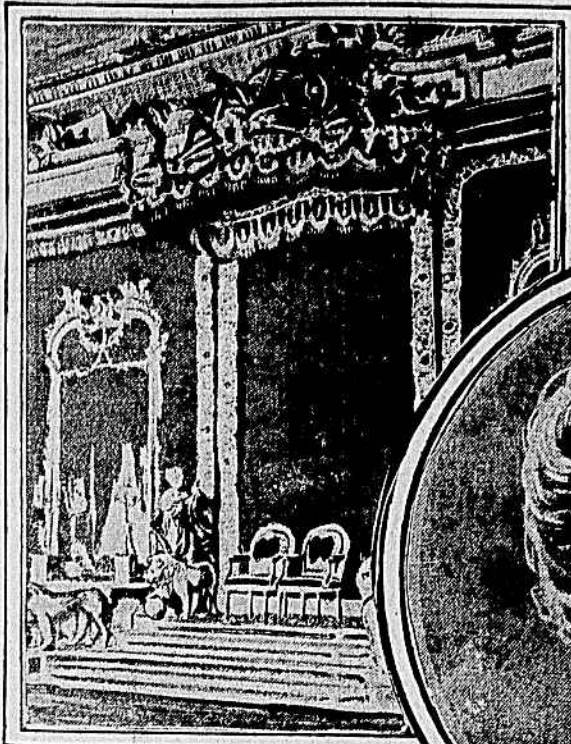


THE DISPATCH FOUNDED 1860.
THIS TIMES FOUNDED 1884.

Throne in Royal Palace.

NEW BOY PRODIGY IN FIELD OF MUSIC

Polish Lad is Wonderful Pianist
and is Also a Clever
Composer.

LONDON, May 26.
Little Mieczko Hurzowksi, the wonderful 11-year-old pianist, who has been creating such a furore in Italy lately, arrived in London yesterday morning. He is to play this afternoon at the Stelway Hall under the direction of Messrs. Ashton's Royal Agency.

A reporter found him yesterday afternoon unpacking his treasures. He is a Pole by birth, and his usual language is French. He is a bright, thoroughly healthy boy, with hair thick rather than excessively long, and wonderfully white and supple hands.

He was not in the least inclined to talk music. "I have not touched a piano for ten days," he said. "Do you collect stamps?"

Nothing daunted by the interviewer's denial of a devotion to that absorbing pastime, little Mieczko proceeded: "I hope to get some nice English stamps and Colonial ones while I am here. I think you spoil your pretty stamps by dabbling too much ink on them when they go through the post. Can't you suggest that they use less ink? I have a lovely collection of stamps, but I left it in Rome."

Here a diversion was caused by Wanda, Mieczko's sweet little sister of 6, who had no intention of being left out of the interview.

"I can do things, too," she said. Wanda speaks only Polish. In a deliciously fresh way she then sang a quaint little song, and accompanied it by some physical exercises. On putting her fair head the reporter called her "the shadow girl," and her mother translated it into Polish, whereupon Wanda laughed with delight.

One of Mieczko's proudest possessions is the gold medal given to him by the Pope, who invited him last month to play to him at the Vatican, and added his testimony to the marvelous gifts of the boy, not only as a pianist but as a composer.

One of Mieczko's string quartets reposes in the Vatican library.

VESTS MADE OF PAPER

Cost Only 4 Cents, and Can be Carried in Pocket.

GENEVA, May 26.—A patent for a paper waistcoat, specially suitable for motorists, and which is shortly to be placed upon the market, has been taken out by Herr Schaefer, a native of Bale, who has discovered a process for making paper pliable and soft, yet difficult to tear.

Waistcoats, which can be folded and placed in an ordinary waistcoat pocket, cost 4 cents each. It is claimed for them that they are warmer than woolen waistcoats, and can be worn either by men or women under a coat.

TOWN COUNCIL BANS THE TRAILING SKIRT

Fine and Imprisonment Penalties
for Women Who Infringe
Drastic Sanitary Law.

BERLIN, May 26.
The Nordhausen Town Council has leaped into sudden notoriety by passing a municipal by-law prohibiting women from wearing dresses with trains within the boundaries of the town.

Another by-law requires the police to enforce the prohibition with great stringency, and to arrest all offending women, who will be punished by fines not exceeding 50 shillings. Repeated offenses against the by-law may be punished with imprisonment.

The energetic action of the Council has raised a heated controversy. Some maintain that the prohibition is illegal, and measures are to be taken immediately to test the right of the Council to interfere with individual liberty to this extent.

One eminent authority states that the Town Council cannot prevent women from wearing trains, but only from dragging them along the ground. Trains are thus permissible if women will lift their dresses properly as they walk.

Advocates of female dress reform bestow unlimited praise on the Nordhausen Council for its courageous action and urge other municipal authorities to follow its example. They declare that the train is a public nuisance and a danger to public health, and that as women refuse to abolish it voluntarily, the intervention of the public authorities to compel them must be warmly welcomed.

ACCIDENT REVEALS DEN OF ANARCHISTS

Bomb Being Made in Garret Explodes and Attracts Attention of Police.

PARIS, May 26.
The accidental explosion of a bomb in a garret in the Rue des Plantes has resulted in the discovery by the police of what they believe to be an anarchist bomb factory.

The explosion occurred about 3.30 this afternoon. Policemen at once raided the house and found that the occupant of the garret, a carpenter named Herbert, had been injured about the face. His wife, who was also in the room, had escaped uninjured.

Two other bombs were discovered in the room, and were taken to the municipal laboratory. Herbert and his wife were arrested, and two men who have been frequent visitors to the house have also been taken into custody.

The police state that they have no doubt at all that the Herberts were anarchists, and were preparing another outrage.

Ever since May Day Parisians have been extraordinarily nervous, especially those who live in the neighborhood believed to be frequented by anarchists. Among these the talk is nothing but bombs. Many numbers of dynamite bombs have been placed in doorways during the last few days, and there have been several false alarms.

At the Alhambra Music Hall, where a large number of singers and dancers are busily rehearsing a revival of the "Harvest Home" ballet, a great scare was caused by a rumor that a bomb had been discovered in the manager's office.

The manager said today, however, that the report was untrue. "Many of our girls," he added, "have had little sleep during the last few nights owing to their fears of an anarchist outrage. People all around here are quite ridiculous. Every time the fire of a cart or motor car bursts they think their last moment has come!"

Acrobatic Fits.

BUDAPEST, May 26.—Ladislav Nagy, a Hungarian railway conductor, has been seized with a remarkable form of fits during which he turns somersaults incessantly. The first attack came on him on the platform of the station at Engersfeld. He was put in an ambulance wagon, but he continued to turn somersaults in the wagon, and he continued to do so for two hours in the hospital.

GERMAN NOBLES SEEK CONTROL AT COURT

Would Oust Von Buelow and Make Germany World's Dominant Power.

BERLIN, May 26.
Sensational revelations of secret influences at work at the German court are made by the Deutsche Tageszeitung and one or two other leading Conservative newspapers.

A powerful group of German noblemen and high officers of the army and navy, who may be briefly termed the supreme power these two statesmen, both of whom exercise a moderating influence, the war party hope to initiate an energetic aggressive policy.

They are anti-Germans, and believe that Germany should become the supreme power in the world. Their first object as a means to this end is a rapid increase in the strength of the German fleet.

The dangerous character of their intrigues may be gathered from the fact that the Deutsche Tageszeitung, which is itself a strictly Conservative journal in favor of a big navy and a strong foreign policy, denounces them as a public danger.

Mathematical Hen.

LONDON, May 26.—A hen at Thorpe Essex, has laid an egg on the shell of which is the figure 5 as clearly formed as if embossed by a die stamp.

TURKISH BEAUTIES ESCAPE FROM HAREM

Epidemic of Flight From Captivity Has Broken Out in Sultan's Capital.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 26.
A veritable epidemic of flights from the harem has broken out among Turkish women of the better classes.

A few months ago the two daughters of Nouri Bey, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, left their harem surreptitiously and fled to Paris. A little later, the daughter of Redvan Pasha, the City Prefect (who was recently assassinated), fled to Broussa.

Now comes the news that the daughters of Memduh Pasha, Minister of the Interior, and of Turkham Pasha, Minister of the Posts, Foundations (Wakuf), have fled the country in order to escape the deadly dullness of harem life. Similar desertions are reported from quite a number of families of good standing.

Old Turks who remember the times of the Crimean War stated that never since that time, when hundreds of Turkish women fell in love with French officers and followed them to Europe, has there been such a wave of pro-European and anti-Turkish sentiment among the best classes of Turkish women as at present.

DOG IN THE DOCK ACCUSED OF MURDER

Is Duly Convicted by a Swiss Court and Ordered to be Shot.

GENEVA, May 26.
An extraordinary murder trial, in which one of the chief criminals is a dog, has just been concluded at Delemont, in the Canton of Soleure.

In January last a wealthy Swiss named Merger was killed and robbed in his house, which had been broken into during the night. The victim had his throat torn and a knife wound in the heart. A man named Scherer and his son were arrested recently, and confessed to the murder.

It appears that their dog, a large boarhound, first attacked Mr. Merger and then the Scherers, stabbed him while he was down. The prisoners' defense was that their victim was already lifeless when they stabbed him, and that the dog was the murderer.

The dog was placed in the dock with his masters, and the jury found "all three prisoners guilty," and sentenced Scherer and his son to imprisonment for life and the dog to be shot.

CONVICTS ESCAPE ON RAFT OF BEER BARRELS

Terrible Voyage of 2000 Miles, Which it Took Months to Accomplish.

SYDNEY, May 26.
A sensational story of the sea is related by the officers of the German steamer Willehad, which has arrived at Sydney from the islands of the Bismarck Archipelago.

A few weeks ago six French convicts from New Caledonia were discovered on a remote portion of the island of New Britain in a deplorable condition, and on being questioned it was ascertained that they, with ten others, had escaped from Noumea nearly twelve months ago.

They constructed several rude rafts from staves of beer barrels, and rigged their frail craft with sails of the most primitive description.

One of the rafts, occupied by six men, after many months, safely reached an uninhabited portion of New Britain, after a terrible voyage of nearly 2000 miles. For four months the men were tramping in search of civilization, and eventually they were found and brought to Herberleshohe.

Royal Palace at Madrid.



Cardinal Sancho, who will officiate at wedding.



Crown of Spain.

THE ROYAL LOVERS AND THEIR FUTURE HOME

HOTELS WILL REAP
RICH HARVEST AT
ALFONSO'S WEDDING

Private Room and Meals
Alone to Cost \$25 Per Day.

MADRID IS PREPARING

Marvelous Programme Will Render Ceremonies of Week a Splendid Pageant.

MADRID, May 26.
Madrid will be a merry city during the week of the wedding of King Alfonso and Princess Ena. It will also be one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world, albeit one of the most uncomfortable, by reason of the crowded condition of the hotels.

Many of the hotels have been full for weeks past, but a few of the more expensive ones are reserving accommodation for the late-comers, who will be charged "late fees," so to speak.

At the Hotel de Paris and the Hotel de la Paix, in the Puerta de Sol, the famous square in Madrid, and other big hotels, the charges will be:

Bedroom and breakfast..... \$1.50
Private rooms and meals..... \$2.50
Bedroom and meals..... \$1.75

To what extent persons letting furnished flats or rooms will put up their tariff can be seen from an advertisement which appeared in yesterday's papers. This offers a flat, consisting of five bedrooms and two sitting rooms, for twelve days, for \$300. This means \$25 per day for apartments alone. The advertiser adds that the rooms might be let singly for \$75 each for the same time.

Notwithstanding these prohibitive prices, hundreds of visitors are expected from England, but the touring companies are not organizing any special trips, as the hotel charges would necessitate a sum being charged which the tripper could not afford.

An Elaborate Programme.
Meanwhile, the Spanish court officials are drawing out a marvelous programme in connection with the marriage ceremony. The Spanish nation delights in ceremonial, and especially in ceremonial connected with the holy estate.

It is said that the royal bridegroom himself suggested what promises to be one of the most striking historical pageants ever seen—a procession through the streets of Madrid embodying the march and chivalry of Old Spain. Every province and every large town will be represented in the cortege, and historic events connected with each place will be commemorated. Thus Aragon will come forward with her Maid of Saragossa, groups of Moors will recall the past glories of the Alhambra; and Don Quixote and Sancho Panza will do honor to the royal lovers.

The idea is a charming one, and already artists and costumers are working day and night in order that it may be carried out in an adequate manner.

Banns Published by a Girl.

LONDON, May 26.—Banns of marriage that had been published twice were published for the third time by the parish clerk's daughter at Ellington Hants, last Sunday morning. The vicar was away on holiday, and for some unknown reason no other clergyman came to take the service.

HAARON'S CORONATION ELABORATE FUNCTION

Old-Time Ceremonies Will Mark the Crowning of Young Norwegian King.

CHRISTIANIA, May 26.
The coronation of King Haakon next month is to be a most solemn and elaborate function.

The Norwegians, seeing that they have unmade a sovereign and called another to the throne, cannot be said to entertain too considerable respect for the divine right of kings; but they do attach significance to their coronations. When the King of Sweden was King of Norway also, they insisted that there should be two coronations—one for each country. And where King Oscar received his crown from the Norwegians, thither goes King Haakon. They bless his robes and lay them on the altar; they bless his crown and scepter; they bless his person; they bless everybody and everything associated with the ceremony. Then the Bishop of Drontheim places the crown upon the monarch's head, and the Ministers of State present him with the sceptre, the sword, the apple and the key, and he is king indeed.

It is all very solemn and impressive, and one can only hope that the Jolly young Sailor King will be able to preserve his gravity throughout the old-world ceremony.

BURNT TO DEATH WHILE MURDERING HUSBAND

Swift Retribution Overtakes Woman Who Planned and Executed Terrible Revenge.

PARIS, May 26.
An extraordinary tragedy occurred at Le Mans yesterday, when a wife tried to burn her husband alive, and herself succumbed to the flames.

An aged couple named Maunory were quarreling constantly, and after a particularly bitter altercation yesterday evening Mme. Maunory decided to murder her husband.

Aided by her servant, she placed bundles of faggots under the old man's bed while he was asleep and saturated both the faggots and the bedding with oil.

Then, after drinking a large quantity of neat brandy to fortify their courage, they set the faggots on fire.

In their drunken condition the smoke half asphyxiated the woman before they could escape, and when the firemen arrived they found Mme. Maunory and the servant, terribly burned, lying on the floor beside the blazing bed.

Mme. Maunory died on the way to the hospital, and her husband, who never recovered consciousness, died two hours later. The servant is still in a critical condition.

DOCTOR PAYS DEARLY FOR X-RAY TREATMENT

Patient Badly Burned Brings Suit and is Awarded \$7500 Damages.

VIENNA, May 26.

Dr. Holzknecht, of the Vienna General Hospital, has had to pay \$7500 for giving a patient an overdose of Roentgen rays.

Herr Haas, of Vienna, consulted the specialist, Professor Lang, about a skin affection on his back in 1902, and was sent by him for treatment to Dr. Holzknecht, who is chief of the Roentgen department in the hospital.

Herr Haas was so badly burned that he nearly lost his life, and had to lie in bed for almost a year. He brought an action against both the doctors, submitting that the effect of the Roentgen rays was not sufficiently understood in 1902 to justify their use for medical purposes. The court acquitted Professor Lang.

AMERICAN MINISTER BUYS NAVAL SECRETS

Two Germans Convicted of Betraying Government Plans to Foreign Powers.

BERLIN, May 26.
The sensational espionage trial in Leipzig has revealed the widespread sale of German naval secrets to several other Powers, chiefly the United States of America, and also to France and Russia.

Three Germans—Sensfieb, Lucke and Konrad—appeared in the dock to answer the charge of treason, committed on repeated occasions in 1904 and 1905.

It appears from the Public Prosecutor's indictment that Konrad was an engineer who was able to procure naval secrets from the dockyards and other works, and sold them to his two accomplices, who in their turn resold them to the secret service agents of foreign Powers.

A great sensation was caused by the Prosecutor's assertion that Sensfieb had sold a most important naval secret—namely, the details of a special kind of submarine mine adopted for the use of the German navy—to the American Minister at Brussels.

The sale of naval secrets took place to representatives of the American Government on half a dozen other occasions.

French secret service agents paid \$1000 for details of the submarine mine. It does not transpire what the American Minister paid.

Sensfieb was sentenced to four years' penal servitude and Konrad to three years. Lucke was acquitted.

RECORD PRICE FOR BOOK

Grimm's Fairy Tales, With Original Etchings, Fetch \$410.

LONDON, May 26.—The two volumes of Grimm's German stories, containing the etchings which Ruskin declared to be "the finest things, next to Rembrandt's, that have been done since etching was invented," were sold at Sotheby's yesterday for the record price of \$410.

Ruskin advised collectors, if they met with these volumes, to "pounce upon them instantly," and yesterday the bidding was very keen.

KAISER FEARS NEW EUROPEAN ALLIANCE

Will Visit the Emperor Francis Joseph to Discuss the Political Situation.

BERLIN, May 26.
The Emperor William has decided to pay an unexpected visit to the Emperor Francis Joseph on June 6 and 7.

Considerable importance is attached to the visit in diplomatic circles. It is believed that the Kaiser desires to dissipate the unpleasant impression produced here by the telegram he sent to Count Goluchowski by thanking the Emperor personally for Austria's support at Algiers.

Further, it is thought that, owing to the isolation of Germany revealed at Algiers, the Kaiser wishes to discuss the situation with the ruler of Austria, Germany's only friend.

The Allgemeine Zeitung believes that important negotiations were carried on between Sir C. Hardinge and M. Bourgeois during King Edward's stay in Paris, to bring about an Anglo-Russian entente. Germany and Austria would then be surrounded by a complete ring of allies, in which case it is desirable that the two Emperors should discuss the position created by the new constellation of Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy.

MAN WITH REVOLVING HEAD

Can Look Behind Him as Easily as He Can Ahead.

VIENNA, May 26.—An artist named H. Costa, known as "the man with the revolving head," has been examined at a meeting of the German Medical Society of Prague.

He turned his head round naturally as far as the shoulder, and then twisted it further with his hands, till he looked completely backward, with his chin above the line of the spine.

BALLOONING BY RAIL UP MOUNTAIN PEAKS

New and Novel Method of Climbing Invented by Austrian Engineer.

GENEVA, May 26.
An Austrian engineer, Herr Balderauer, of Salzburg, has been experimenting with much success in the mountains near Salzburg with a novel balloon railway.

It consists of a large captive balloon attached to a single steel rail, which, in turn, is fixed firmly to the side of a steep mountain, whose precipitous slopes no other form of railway could climb without making a series of serpentine detours and passing through tunnels.

The balloon remains balanced in the air about ten yards above the rail to which it is attached by a stout wire cable, and it is moved up and down the side of the mountain at the will of the engineer.

For an ascent the balloon itself furnishes the lifting force by means of hydrogen; for the descent a large reservoir attached to the balloon is filled with water at the highest station, and serves as "ballast."

Under the balloon is a circular car, seating ten persons. The wire cable from the balloon passes through the floor of the car to a speed regulator underneath, which is controlled by the engineer.

Herr Balderauer has made dozens of ascents both alone and with the car filled with people, and has never had an accident.

The inventor claims that the balloon railway will replace the funicular railway in the future, is cheap to construct and the sensation while traveling is delightful.

The passengers are whirled up thousands of feet in a few seconds, without the slightest jar. The balloon can be instantly released in case it becomes unmanageable, and an automatic brake keeps the car under control.

RENEGADE WHITE MAN NOW A ZULU CHIEF

Tribesmen Warring Against England Led by Swiss Convict and Adventurer.

GENEVA, May 26.
One of the Zulu chiefs who have rebelled against the British Government is a Swiss named N. Duby.

Duby was a hooligan in the village of Schupfer, the Bernese Oberland. After a particularly brutal attack on a cavalryman, in 1883, he was forced to leave the country, and he worked his way to South Africa.

After being concerned in some transactions which demanded the attention of the police at Durban, he went into the interior to escape arrest. He mastered the Zulu language and finally married the daughter of the chief of a small tribe.

With the death of the chief, Duby was appointed in his place. He fought with the Boers during the late war, and when Bambata revolted, Duby induced his tribesmen to join the rebel forces.

One of the rebel Zulu chiefs frequently mentioned in telegrams from Natal is Ndube, which is the Zulu version of Duby.

PRINCESS ENA URGED TO STOP BULL FIGHTS

Englishmen Want Her Influence in Suppressing the Spanish National Pastime.

LONDON, May 26.
The Animals' World this month suggests that Princess Ena may be able to use her influence as Queen of Spain to secure the eventual suppression of bull fighting.

"We confidently leave it to our Princess' tact and example," it says, "to persuade her people that the sport of bull fighting should give place to some other form of public entertainment more in keeping with the kindly instincts and family traditions of our Queen."

Seen yesterday, Mr. Fairholme, the literary secretary of the R. S. P. C. A., said it must be remembered that Princess Ena's position would be a difficult one, and any premature opposition to the great national sport of Spain would tend to greatly prejudice their future Queen in her own country.

Anything that she could do in this way must necessarily be a matter of time. "Several very prominent personages," continued Mr. Fairholme, "notably our own King and Queen, have shown their disapproval of the sport of bull fighting. The Queen-Mother of Spain has also constantly set her face against it, but, as far as I know, King Alfonso himself has not yet expressed any definite opinion upon it."

"There is still, unfortunately, great sympathy on this subject in Spain. One of the most horrible features of a bull fight is the practice of sending old and worn-out horses into the ring first. This practice, however, I am glad to say, is gradually being discontinued."

Dr. Shipman gave notice in yesterday's Parliamentary Papers to ask the Foreign Secretary whether it is proposed to give the British representative at the forthcoming marriage of the King of Spain instructions not to attend any bull fights which may form part of the festivities.